MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION UTILITY DIVISION AGENDA NO. 07-04-10

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For Work Week Commencing: April 9, 2007 Commission Meeting: April 10, 2007, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at http://www.psc.mt.gov.

<u>Place of Meetings</u> All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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<u>9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling</u> (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

<u>Action Items</u> All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

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<u>Work Sessions</u> All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

- D2007.2.21 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Petition for arbitration of interconnection agreement with MTPCS, LLC dba Chinook Wireless Discuss and act on MCC's late intervention petition. (4/10/07)
- 2. FCC Public Notice in CC 01-92 Discuss PSC reply comments that are due April 12, 2007. The FCC's Public Notice seeks comments on amendments to the Missoula Plan that involve a Universal Service proposal that regards the early adopter states Federal Benchmark Mechanism. (4/10/07)
- N2005.6.101 NorthWestern Energy –NWE's Guidelines for the Planning and Procurement of Natural Gas Supply – Review and act on draft final order. (4/10/07)
- N2006.12.184 NorthWestern Energy NWE's Natural Gas Biennial Resource Procurement Plan – Review and act on PSC comments on plan. (4/10/07)
- 5. Designate commissioner to replace Tom Schneider as Montana PSC representative on the Western Electricity Coordinating Council. (4/10/07)
- 6. Legislative Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process, and general agency concerns; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (4/10/07)
- 7. 4/12/07 8:30 a.m. Placeholder Legislative Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process, and general agency concerns; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (4/12/07) (Commission Conference Room No web audio feed)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Citizens Telecommunications N2007.3.30

On March 27, 2007, Citizens filed Advice Letter No. MT-07-04. The purpose of this filing is to clarify the application of Business and Residence rates. Citizens requests that this filing become effective on April 26, 2007.

(Scott)

2. Qwest Corporation N2006.11.162 (Gary)

On April 2, 2007, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for Commission approval Amendment Four to a previously filed and approved Multi-State Agreement (MSA) between Qwest and Wells Fargo Bank (Wells Fargo). This amendment simply adds Qwest Choice Business Prime as an additional service offered under the MSA. Qwest is filing the MSA Amendment with the Commission for approval pursuant to Section 2.18 (Large Business Customers With a Multi-State Presence) of its Exchange and Network Service Tariff, and pursuant to the Commission's April 16, 2004 Notice of Commission Action (NCA) in Docket N2003.10.149. Also pursuant to the NCA, Qwest filed proprietary cost information. The MSA is the result of Wells Fargo requesting new or additional services at competitive prices for some of its locations. The services purchased by Wells Fargo are available from other competitive carriers in addition to Qwest.

<u>Protective Orders – Notice Items</u> The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Any person wanting a copy of a protective order request should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

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<u>Protective Orders – Information Items</u> The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be obtained by calling the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

1. 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. D2007.2.21 (Jim)

A protective order, Order No. 6820a, was issued for 3 Rivers on April 4, 2007, protecting from disclosure inputs and outputs of a forward-looking cost model.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2007.3.31 – PSC Initiated – 2007 Annual Line Moving Charge Compliance Filings

D2007.3.32 – Bonneville Power Administration – Petition for Declaratory Order Disclaiming Jurisdiction

D2007.4.33 – Firelight Meadows, LLC and HLH, LLC – Joint Petition to Transfer Regulated Assets

N2007.4.34 – Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana dba Frontier Communications of Montana – Business Traffic Study Service